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March 17, 2015

CHAIRMAN RANAE LENTZ, TREASURER
OHIO REPUBLICAN PARTY STATE CENTRAL
& EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
211 S. FIFTH STREET
COLUMBUS, OH 43215

Response Due Date 04/21/2015

**IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: C00162339** 

REFERENCE: YEAR-END REPORT (11/25/2014 - 12/31/2014)

Dear Treasurer:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report referenced above. This notice requests information essential to full public disclosure of your federal election campaign finances. Failure to adequately respond by the response date noted above could result in an audit or enforcement action. Additional information is needed for the following 2 item(s):

**1.** Schedule A of your Year-End Report (11/25/14 - 12/31/14) discloses transfers totaling \$14,524.11 from "SENATE BATTLEGROUND FUND" which appears to be your committee's share of the gross contributions received through joint fundraising efforts. However, "SENATE BATTLEGROUND FUND" does not appear as a joint fundraising representative on your Statement of Organization. Please clarify this discrepancy.

In addition, Please be advised that a memo Schedule A must be provided to itemize your committee's share of the gross contributions received through the joint fundraiser(s). The memo schedule should itemize each individual who has contributed an aggregate in excess of \$200 during the calendar year, and provide the amount of unitemized contributions received. In addition, the memo schedule should itemize your committee's share of all contributions from political committees, regardless of amount. Please amend your report by providing the omitted memo schedule(s). 11 CFR §102.17(c)(8)(i)(B)

2. Schedule H4 supporting Line 21(a) of your report discloses payments for "Employer tax disabled employee - not candidate specific," "Payroll, taxes and fees - not candidate specific," and "Payroll, taxes, fees - not candidate specific." Please be advised that pursuant to 11 CFR §300.33(c)(2), salaries and wages for employees who spend more than 25% of their compensated time